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ANNOUNCER

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REMARKS

ANNOUNCED: Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers

CHARACTER: Ranger Sam

ANNOUNCED: Today we're celebrating Uncle Sam's birthday, and it's going to be something special. I want to say that this is the first time Ranger Sam has been in the studio, for your special celebration. And why? —

Because today Uncle Sam is celebrating — and it's the 100th birthday of Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers on the air. — For the past 100 years, the National Broadcasting Company has had the pleasure of presenting, each week, a program of the daily life and work of Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers, as a feature of the National Farm and Home Hour. We have had the excellent cooperation of the United States Forest Service in this program, and we believe we have given you a true and authentic picture of the splendid work being done, and shown, indeed, artificial coloring or manufactured details, but plants, interesting and entertaining as they are. — During the past four years, all of us have come to know and love Forest Ranger Jim Sweeney, the character so excellently portrayed by Mr. James Hayes.

(VLP)

also had to have and lose all of the time of the Pine Creek Sawyer Station. And then to have that money deducted from this commemorative program today. — I told you that in connection with special service in a state today, and that's what today the spirit of that thing, that's what it's about. Now about it, Walter?

(OVERSTRA)

ANNOUNCER: Now, we have with us in the studio today a representative of the United States Forest Service, Mr. George A. Duthie, Chief of the Forest Service's Education Division. Mr. Duthie, a former Forest Ranger, and for many years Supervisor of the Silver Lake National Forest in South Dakota, is now a member of the headquarters staff of the Forest Service in Washington, and he is here today as the personal representative of the Chief Forester, F. A. Silcox, with a message from him for us all — and particularly, we understand, for Harvey Hayes. — Ladies and Gentlemen, Mr. Duthie —

OUTER: I'd like to ask Harvey Hayes step up here to the microphone, Everett.

ANNOUNCER: Step up, Harvey, this is for you. — All right, Mr. Duthie.

NUTHING:

While out in the National Forests from Maine to California and from Florida to the Pacific Northwest, and even to Alaska, Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers have been on the job faithfully and efficiently guarding and protecting our National Forests in real life, for the past four years, Mr. Harvey Hayes, or Ranger Jim Robbins as you know him best, has been doing the same job as faithfully and efficiently in Radio's own National Forest -- in the Pine Cone National Forest Ranger District of Radioland.

It is my very great pleasure to announce today that, in recognition of this work, and of the outstanding public service he has performed therein in behalf of forest conservation, Mr. Harvey Hayes has been appointed an honorary Forest Ranger and an honorary member of the staff of the Forest Service.

Mr. Hayes, it is my privilege to present to you this certificate of appointment as a Forest Ranger of the United States Forest Service -- and this pine-tree badge which you may wear in token of your membership in our Service.

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And let me say, it is the badge proudly worn by three thousand men of the Forest Service -- the men whom you have so faithfully portrayed to the radio audience.

I have also been commissioned to deliver to you this letter from the Chief of the Forest Service-- and with your permission, Mr. Hayes, I'd like to read it while the radio audience is listening in. It says:

"Dear Mr. Hayes:

"It is my great pleasure to inform you of your appointment as an honorary Forest Ranger of the United States Forest Service. This appointment comes to you in recognition of your outstanding service in behalf of forest conservation. It also comes to you on the occasion of your two-hundredth broadcast in the National Broadcasting Company's program, "Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers." As 'Forest Ranger Jim Robbins,' during the past four years you have endeared yourself to untold thousands throughout the United States, and you have performed valuable public service in stimulating interest in, and increasing knowledge of our important forest problems.

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"You are to report for duty at once, and I hereby charge you with the following duties: First, to continue to administer honestly and efficiently the Pine Cone District of Buckleland National Forest; second, to render continuous service to the public in the traditional manner of Forest Rangers, fairly and without discrimination, promoting always the protection, conservation, and wise use of our forest lands, and your contribution to the welfare of our country and its people.

With heartiest greetings and good wishes, I

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Very sincerely yours,

(SIGNED) F. A. Gilcor,
Chief, United States Forest Service."

(APPLAUSE)

JIM: Thank you very much, Mr. Dethle:

(ORCHESTRA: "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow")

ANNOUNCER: Well, Ranger Hayes, that sure calls for a speech.
How about it, Harvey?

Jim:

Well, I hardly know what to say. -- I certainly appreciate this honor. I know that Forest Rangers consider that a good job well done is its own reward and that special rewards like this are kind of a rare thing in the Forest Service -- and that makes me value this appointment and this badge all the more. It's a small badge -- but it sure looks good to me. And in keeping with its significance, I'm sure going to do all I can, both on my own "Pine Cone District" and in the world at large, to help make people realize the value of our forests and the necessity for protecting them and using them rightly. I want people to know that one-third of the area of this whole country of ours is forest land; and that the difference between neglect and destruction of our forests or conservation and wise use of them is the difference between one-third of our country becoming barren, unproductive waste, or continuing to support its share of our population and our communities and institutions. I want people to know that the maintenance of our forest resources is vital to our national well-being; that it means not only the preservation of one of our basic raw materials, but of our wildlife, our opportunities for outdoor recreation, our scenic

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locally, even of a pure and abundant supply of water, upon which life itself depends.

Well, Everett, you asked for a speech...and you got it. But believe me, that's the way the Rangers feel about it.

ANNOUNCER: You said it, Harvey -- I mean, Ranger Hayes.

JIM: I want to express my appreciation once more to Mr. Duthie and through him to the Forest Service, for the honor they've given me today.

ANNOUNCER: Well, folks, I guess Harvey Hayes - our Ranger Jim - deserves congratulations all around. How about it?

(APPLAUSE)

ANNOUNCER: Sit a minute folks. Mr. Duthie says he has something else to say. All right, Mr. Duthie --

DUTHIE: I didn't quite finish all I had to say, Everett. I also want to express the appreciation of the Forest Service to Miss Judith Lowry, who as Bess Robbins, has done her splendid share in making the Pine Cone Ranger Station a real place to all of us. In the Forest Service, we always consider the Rangers' wives as sort of unofficial members of the Service. Many's the time a Ranger's wife has done man-sized work, pinch-hitting for the Ranger in an emergency. And Miss Lowry has been all that; she has made Bess Robbins a real and lovable person throughout the four years you have been presenting this program.

On behalf of the Forest Service I also want to thank Mr. Ray Johnson well known to you as Assistant Ranger Jerry Quick, and Miss Lucille Husting, who is Mary Holloway, the village school teacher, for their fine work in this program. I think it will interest you to know that there are hundreds of Forest Service officers and their families, up and down the land -- Rangers in their remote stations, lookout men on top of lonely mountain peaks -- that listen in on your program whenever the demands of their jobs will permit; and they all look upon you folks as fellow workers and as members of the family. I want to thank you all.

(APPLAUSE)

ANNOUNCER: Let's introduce these Pine Cone Ranger Station people . . . Folks, here is Miss Judith Lowry, in other words, Bess Robbins ---

PESS: How do you do, everybody. I just want to tell you what a pleasure it has been to participate in this program. We've been living the part of a Forest Ranger family so long on the radio that it's become a part of our real lives. We feel that it's a worthwhile program, too;; that it's helping people to understand better the important work of conservation.

(APPLAUSE)

ANNOUNCER: Thanks, Gene Robbins. What do you think about Ranger Jim now? Think you'll be able to keep him under control, now that he's given this new appointment?

GENE: Oh yes. He's really very good. Besides, if I can just get him to come home to meals on time, that's all I want.

ANNOUNCER: Okay, we'll all work on him. . . . Now ladies, here's Mr. Johnson, you'll recognize his voice as that of Assistant Ranger Jerry Quirk.

JERRY: Hello, everybody. I just want to thank Mr. Doherty too, and to tell you how much I enjoy being a part of this program.

(APPLAUSE)

ANNOUNCER: Remember when Jerry first came on the job, full of swell ideas about the romantic ranger's life, and we put him to work scrubbing the rust off the tools? He sure was green in those days.

JERRY: Well, I guess I still make mistakes now and then, but I'm learning. You've got to learn by experience in Ranger's ranger job, just like any other.

ANNOUNCER: That's right, Jerry. . . . Now, folks, Lucille Huston, in other words, our charming school teacher, Mary Malloy, . . .

MARY: Well, everybody of course, I'm not a great
 singer at the Pittsburgh Bridge Building, and I'm
 sure you'll be sure to enjoy it. - and I hope
 you all do, too.

(APPLAUSE)

ANNOUNCER: You see me too, Mary. I'm sure you'll be getting a
 great deal of good from it. Mary, don't you think it's
 well?

MARY: Oh, that's a great, great, for everybody to
 have, and we'll all be sure to enjoy it. It's
 just like that.

ANNOUNCER: I guess not, Mary. Well, we'll have to wait and
 see. : : (This, folks, is a certainly grand
 of our fine River people, and glad of this chance
 to give them a big hand on the occasion of their
 two hundredth program. That is, folks, a big
 hand for all of them. : for "Whole World's Forest
 Rhapsody".

(APPLAUSE)

ANNOUNCER: And now, Mary's singing we'll all be together for
 the three hundredth program of Uncle Sam's Forest
 Rhapsody.

ORCHESTRA:

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